

State Table 7.—FARM LABOR AND SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1954

[Data in italics are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text.]

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—								
	1954 (November)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)	
<b>FARM LABOR</b>									
<b>Farm workers for specified week:<sup>1</sup></b>									
Family and/or hired workers <sup>2</sup> .....farms reporting..	133,952	165,024	192,036	200,232	245,205	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
persons..	265,089	327,698	314,143	437,347	601,843	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	2.0	2.0	1.7	2.2	2.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
<b>Family workers, including operators.....farms reporting..</b>	131,853	161,928	190,504	188,906	237,561	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
persons..	201,611	263,313	294,486	339,193	510,385	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	128,209	152,020	183,797	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	44,008	70,785	76,389	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
persons..	73,402	111,293	110,689	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	19,655	25,289	9,240	43,414	42,701	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
persons..	63,478	64,385	19,657	98,154	91,458	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Workers hired by month.....persons..	4,118	6,516	(NA)	37,941	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	41,925	48,914	(NA)	53,967	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	17,435	8,027	(NA)	6,246	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	928	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
<b>Farms reporting by number of hired workers:</b>									
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	7,972	13,791	5,764	(NA)	26,497	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	4,305	5,077	1,633	(NA)	7,619	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	3,858	3,477	1,013	(NA)	4,940	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	2,428	2,090	604	(NA)	2,647	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	1,092	834	226	(NA)	998	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
<b>Farms by kind of workers during specified week:</b>									
No workers reported.....farms..	31,513	33,013	33,861	15,801	5,339	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	17,556	22,173	7,708	32,088	35,057	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	11,667	14,587	4,931	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	5,581	6,663	2,432	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	308	923	345	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Family workers only.....farms..	114,297	139,755	182,796	156,818	202,504	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Operator only.....farms..	76,178	76,556	109,184	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	34,783	54,214	67,250	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	3,336	8,985	6,362	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Hired workers only.....farms..	2,099	3,096	1,532	11,326	7,644	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
<b>SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES<sup>3</sup></b>									
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	79,981	93,209	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
dollars..	11,317,138	12,258,326	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Hired labor <sup>4</sup> .....farms reporting..	82,321	86,509	90,605	78,703	(NA)	78,998	60,345	83,444	
dollars..	48,315,329	42,628,537	31,469,656	16,505,107	(NA)	13,992,152	11,926,126	16,705,234	
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	26,925	36,858	42,728	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	15,615	16,502	18,217	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	19,836	17,604	17,218	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	9,227	6,909	6,323	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	6,932	5,291	3,992	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	2,253	3,345	2,127	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	1,049			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	345			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	139	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	106,495	104,993	100,961	55,874	(NA)	77,050	62,682	86,580	
dollars..	100,747,617	48,231,083	32,000,530	6,367,679	(NA)	8,357,699	6,305,053	9,538,763	
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	88,103	67,853	(NA)	72,609	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
dollars..	27,520,080	20,454,474	(NA)	3,455,679	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	135,581	(NA)	172,443	193,643	(NA)	5216,633	(NA)	280,385	
dollars..	54,658,816	(NA)	31,198,585	18,647,880	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	46,196,434	
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	14,967	(NA)	11,443	2,667	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
dollars..	1,657,651	(NA)	951,921	98,869	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup>Census of 1954, week of October 24-30; Census of 1950, week preceding enumeration; Censuses of 1945 and 1935, first week of January; Census of 1940, last week of March.

<sup>2</sup>See text for differences in definition of farm workers.

<sup>3</sup>For Census of 1954, expenditures during calendar year 1954; for earlier censuses, expenditures during the preceding calendar year.

<sup>4</sup>Cash payments for farm labor; housework not included. For 1954, 1950, 1945, and 1940, the data do not include expenditures for contract construction work, machine hire, and labor included in cost of machine hire. For 1920, the value of board furnished was included.

<sup>5</sup>Farms reporting tons of commercial fertilizer.